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Please amend the paragraph on page 5, lines 9-31, as follows:

Figures 1A-1C show schematic representations of a figure 1 shows a schematically illustrated circuit arrangement comprising a protection circuit and a control or a trigger circuit.

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Figures 2A-2B show schematic representations of a figure 2 shows a second schematically illustrated circuit arrangement comprising a protection circuit and a trigger circuit.

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Figure figure 3 shows a schematic representation of a a third schematically illustrated circuit arrangement comprising a protection circuit and a trigger circuit. [[,]]

Figure figure 4 shows a schematic representation of a fourth schematically illustrated circuit arrangement comprising a protection circuit and a trigger circuit. [[,]]

Figure figure 5 shows a schematic representation of a further schematically illustrated circuit arrangement comprising a protection circuit and a trigger circuit. [[,]] and

Figure figure 6 shows a schematic cross section through a structure for realizing the thyristor in a high-voltage process.

Please add the following centered heading on page 4, line 32:

DETAILED DESCRIPTION

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Please amend the paragraph on page 4, line 1 to page 5, line 6, as follows:

In figure 1, the invention is elucidated in greater detail in principle and on the basis of two exemplary embodiments. In accordance with figure 1a, a terminal PV is connected to a line